# FITZ A SUPER-MAN OF RING, INVINCIBLE TO ALL UNTIL HE FOUGHT GIANT JEFFRIES

Great Champion, Lanky Bob Could Have Given Willard One Hundred Pounds and Terrific Fight and Would Have Been Winner Over the Dempsey of To-Day—His Sensational Defeat of Corbett, by Which He Won Heavyweight Title—His "Comeback" After Jeff Beat Him.

> By Robert Edgren. The Press Publishing On (The New York Bre

FTER John L. Sullivan there was a break in the line of great fighting hampions. Jim Corbett was a very fast and clever boxer, a maste zer, but never to be classed with Sullivan, Fitzsimmons and Jeffries as a fighter. For a time his vic-



ing popular. He had imitators by the thousand. He knocked out Charlie Mitchell, who weighed 142 pounds at the time, in three rounds at Jacksonville, and that was the end of Corbett as a figure among the champions. He fought Tom Sharkey, an almost unknown satior, in San Francisco, and the police had to interfere before the

tory over Sullivan made deft footwork

and the jab and get away style of box-

of the fourth round to save the champion. In the next year, March 17, 1597, he met Bob Fitzsimmons at Carson City and was knocked out and deprived of his title in fourteen rounds.

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fighter. We had a doctor on that train. I helped the doctor take Corbest minute to bring him up against looked across at Corbett and saw im laughing and talking with his iends in the boxes. He was flushed at trumphant. He thought the fight as wep.

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The bell rang, and Fitssimmons hecessary for the payment to give him a quieting drug. By the time he reached San Francisco he had en-tirely recovered his self-control, and for a beaten champion made a very The bell rang, and Fitzsimmons addenly leaped from his sprawling seltion on the ropes, bounded across for a beaten char good appearance. be ring and nearly caught Corbett
titing in his chair. Taken by surrine by the swiftness of the unexsected attack, Jim barely had time
sencape by slipping away along the
speed. In an instant he realized that

#### Origin of the "Solar Plexus."

On the train, when the doctor came out of Corbett's drawing room, I asked him for a scientific description of the blow that had won the chamas, instead of being exunited and groggy, was just begin-ng to fight. I saw Corbett's face on white. He used all of his speed

and skill in defense, and Fitzsianmens and skill in defense, and Fitzsianmens proof him steadily back. Now and plexus," said the doctor, "a blow that plexus, said the doctor, "a blow that plexus, and caused a temporary parameter. Using the blow much as body and caused a temporary parameter. I was a puncture of the plexus, and the proof of the lower limbs."

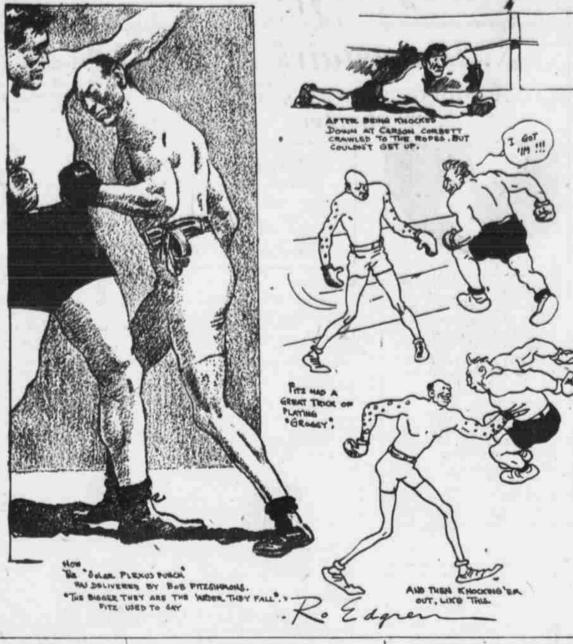
I used that description in my stories of the fight, which was, I believe the

a favorite blow.

Fitzsimmons, whose advasce was says in shuffling steps that cared him in closer than he appeared a be, because his feet were slipped head while his shoulders were balized well back, rolled his head and Corbett's jabs glance and Corbett's jabs glance and Corbett's farm shoot over his shoulder. At he same time he shifted the right to tahead, dropped his left shoulder are and hooked that poised left ith terrific force into the pit of the doughty sailor's stomath. After beating Corbett he stayed three months, and then came back, at the age of thirty-six, to fight young Jim Jeffries. The youngsier knocked Bob out of the champ onship in 11 rounds. If he had been in a hurry he might have put the champion away in less time for he knocked Fits flat with a hard left jab in the chin in the second, and three months, and then came back, at the age of thirty-six, to fight young Jim Jeffries. The youngsier knocked Bob out of the champ onship in 11 rounds. If he had been in a hurry he might have put the champion away in less time for he knocked Fits flat with a hard left jab in the chin in the second, and there months, and then came back, at the age of thirty-six, to fight young Jim Jeffries.

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HOW FITZ USED TO KNOCK THEM OUT



## Skull Practice Makes Yanks Fit to Face Chicago White Sox in Second Game of Series

With Cicotte Out of the Way Locals Are Confident of Turning Tables.

in the opening encounter of the sein the opening encounter of the se-ries, the Yanks resume their knit-ting to-day much refreshed. Man-gator in determining the direction in which a vessel is moving, the same ager Huggins, we are informed, gave his outfit a little session of "skull practice" in the clubhouse, pointing basebail.

with the Sox was used as the point of reference.

The fact that Eddie Cicotte will not pitch to-day has refreshed the Yanks almost as much as the day's rest.

There is something uncanny about the twirting of that old fellow that seems to disconcert opposing teams before they start. He has not lost a game that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same to the pitchers do the same the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that he started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that the same that the started in this soason, and when a man can do that the New York players are a second to the same that the started in the point of the pattern of the same that it would is now boxing under the management of Harry Chest. The paraffin idea, a rather old one to the pattern of the control.

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Several players have told me that
he has discovered some way of doctoring the ball and this belief is
gaining ground throughout the American League. Try as they will, though,
the diamond strategists cannot get
the field.

Whether there is anything in this
mystery or not, it is certainly interesting to try and figure it out. Besides, baseball mysteries are always
good subjects of conversation when
rain breaks up a game. They have tried to find paralin on the bail and have even stolen balls out of the game and had them dissocted, but struck me, was that they had been nothing has been discovered that is playing with bad ball clubs for ten

what good will it do us? I give him credit for having pulled a wise stunt of some kind and kept it to himself."

The only noticeable thing about the ball when Cicotte is pitching is that it is prominently discolored, and it is possible that the wabbling color scheme of white and dark brown may give it a composition offect. Shee are

they are following.

Bob Shawkey, a sailor by the way, idea would apply to a batter in judg-ing the speed and exact direction of a

"But," he adds with a puzzled look, "why can't other pitchers do the same thing? Or, rather, why have they not been able to do it in the root?"

sport. They have even sought for mesin, but there is nothing in evidence on which to convict the culprit.

"Oh, I know he's got something," as a clock the change was so sudden one of them said last night. "But as long as we can't hang anything on him," to act.

#### Fistic News and Gossip By John Pollock

the season in Philadelphia, which was staged by Phil Glassman at Shibe Park on Wednesday night, drew a gate of \$9,669. Even with these big receipts, Gassman lost several hundred dollars because he gave the fighters a big guarantee to battle for. By Bozeman Bulger.

AVING had a day in which to rest and think over the tricks the White Sox played on them to complex eventual and think over the tricks.

Bob Shawkey, a sailor by the way. is \$1,500 more than Dundee got, al-though Johnny is a much bigger fa-vorite in Philadelphia than Chaney is.

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Balph Brady, the crack Byracuse lightweight, has been signed up for four bouts by his popular manager, Phil Lewis. On Monday night he boxes Young Michaels at Syracuse; on June 16, Young Schaeffer at Buffalo; on June 25, Tommy Tuohey at Portland, and on June 25, Willie Jackson in Philadelphia.

One of the bouts so far signed up by Phill Ghassman of Philadelphia for his second open air boxing show at Shibe Park in that city on June 30 will be that between Willie Meeban, the stundy Chifornia heavyweight, and Batting Le-vinsky, the closer Hebrew heavyweight, who is now making Philadelphia his home. Dan Moyan eigned articles for Levinsky in "Philip" on Wednesday night, eiknehing the match,

Joe Lyuch of the wost side, considered by most fame the leading coptender for the world's buntamweight title, will box more or twice before taking on Champion Pete Herman in Philly, June 25, His manage, Ekklie Mend, has agreed him up to box Mickey Delmont at Bayonne next Friday night.

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There has been a change in dates of the bosts between Benny Leonard and Charley Fifth of New England and Jack Britton and Walter Mohr of Brooklyn, both of which were to be held at Montreal, Caussia. The Leonard-Pitts go will be bold on June 9 and the Britton-Mohr bont on June 13. They were to have originally been staged on June 4 and June 11.

# IN THE SUBURBAN AT BELMONT TO-DAY

Open Contest Is Promised, and Winner of Annual Feature Is Hard to Select.

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#### RACING SELECTIONS.

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Fourth Race—War Cloud, Lanius, Exterminator, Fifth Race—Gex. Red Sox, The Decision. Sixth Race - Copyright, Black Home, Hampden. V. T.

#### By Vincent Treanor. HE Suburban Handleap, the

second of the season's big turf classics, is run to-day at Bel-mont Park. With fair weather a big crowd doubtless will turn out to see it, and on a fast track, a race worthy of the best traditions of the annual feature should result. Fields which named for the rich event in years past, but none ever promised a nore open contest than that named to face the barrier this afternoon.

There is not one of the eleven which stands out on dope, so past performances will be of little aid to the public in its efforts to select a probable winner. There is Vindex for instance, the Whitney starter, which gossip says is one of the best horses Jimmy Rowe ever trained. He was sent to Churchill Downs to win the Kantucky Derby, and when the race was run on a heavy track it was seen he didn't like the going.
He came right back to Pimico to start in the Preakness, it ceing the hope of Trainer Rowe that he would redeem himself on a fast track. He was left at the post, so you see there is no real line for the

nicely weighted, won his last race

went to the post nicely enough, but when he got there he kicked and fussed so much that it was feared he would leave his race there. When

chase won practically all the way in the good time of 1.37 1-5, and didn't seem to be extended at any stage. He was inclined to bore out, however, in

# MONAHAN FINDS IT EASY TO REACH WILLARD'S CHIN

PATH HIS PRET AND BE IN HITTING RANGE WHEN HE SCEMED A TARD AWAY.

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BRATEN IN THE STY AT CARGON,
FITE RAN ACROSS THE RING
AND NEGRELY COVERT
CORRETT SITTING IN HIS CORNER.

Hempel Also Lands Frequently on Jess in Training Exhibitions in Which Title-Holder "Cuts Loose."

By Robert Edgren.

TOLEDO, O., June 7. OTH Jack Hempel and Walter Monahan finished their boxing seance with the champion yesterday afternoon sporting discolored optics. Each boxed three hard rounds. Willard "cut loose" more than in any as if the big fellow was bent on scoring a couple of the c as if the big fellow was bent on scoring a couple of quick knockouts, but Willard took a lot of punches too. Sometimes he took them smiling, sometimes with a quick movement of the head that broke their force, and Fitzherbert or Whiskbroom, a Friar sometimes with a quick movement of the head that broke their force, and sometimes he just took them. Monahan especially seemed to be able to some other famous horses which reach the champion's chin. Monahan, a two hundred and fifteen pounder, have won the stake. Sweep On. was as quick as a featherweight. He fairly leaped at Willard with sudden blows into which he put every ounce of force he pessessed.

Willard didn't use any of his favorite countering rights on Monahan yesterday, but fed him with every kind of a left-hand punch there is, it was a left-hand day in camp. The champion worked his left overtime. He jabbed straight. He hooked. He uppercut viciously. But he weighted, won his last race very handily, but it is questionable if he is a route traveller; Corn yesterday, but fed him with every kind of a left-hand punch there is, it Lanius, the Metropolitan winner, has jabbed straight. He hooked. He uppercut viciously. But he never tossed over the soporific short right. Hawing only two men to work with he can't afford to cripple any one. Manager Archer is East trying to get a good heavyweight for the camp. A 200-pounder is coming from Chicago. And there is a rumor that Clay Turner, the famous Sioux Indian, will be here in a day or two. When all this happens the big fellow can cut loose, The snappy way Willard shot his punches over vertexed and any over their heads. The writer's here in a day or two. When all this happens the big fellow can cut loose.

The snappy way Willard shot his punches over yesterday, coupled

with the rather sneering smile he wore while doing it, brought up a lot of discussion around the ringside. Many of the spectators were wondering Knapp, with Lanius and Exterminajust how hard Willard could hit if he wanted to.

I saw Willard hit a few bard punches in Havana and I am fairly well convinced that he can put over a punch. In that Havana fight Jess was cold as ice, deliberate and unhurrying. He forced Johnson to come to him. Johnson had always played that trick himself, but at long runge "The best two-year-old of the him. Johnson had always played that trick nimself, but at long that will be seen that the blow in and sive Johnson a chance to counter. So mont Park. The latest best is Man mont Park. The latest best is Man. Willard reached out and hit him on the nose with his great long left and didn't follow the blow in and give Johnson a chance to counter. So Johnson had to take the aggressive, and it wasn't his way of fighting. He floundered, fought desperately, and in twenty rounds or so wore himself out. Of course the wearing out was hastened by a number of heavy blows Willard sunk into Johnson's thick body.

year is still being mont Park. The latest best is Man of War, the Glenriddie Farm's youngster, trained by Louis Fenn's youngster, and it wasn't his way of fighting.

After the twentieth, then Johnson stalled, boxed cleverly, blocked, grinned and talked, and Willard wasn't sure but that the crafty black everything to some extent, and holding himself in reserve to shoot knockout if Willard was follower that attempt to deliver to the post please went to the post please. knockout if Willard was tricked into leaving a sure opening. In the twenty-sixth round Willard decided that it was time to take the aggressive. Johnson recled around half the ring and came against the ropes in Willard's corner, where he stood at bay, both arms lifted to guard his chin. Willard was following closely. To pull Johnson's guard down he downward John the body, and the instant the country of the body and the instant the country of the would leave his race there. When the break finally came he got away flying and was never caught. At this chin. Willard was following closely. To pull Johnson's guard down he downward John in the body, and the instant the country of the would leave his race there. When the break finally came he got away flying and was never caught. At this chin. Willard was following closely. To pull Johnson's guard down he downward John in the body, and the instant the country of the would leave his race there. When the break finally came he got away flying and was never caught. At this chin. Willard was following closely. To pull Johnson's guard down he downward John in the body, and the instant the country of the would leave his race there. When the break finally came he got away flying and was never caught. At this chin was casily four lengths in front of Retrieve and not extended. jabbed him in the body, and the instant the giant negro's guard moved downward Jess drove over a short, straight right-hander, the same blow he accidentally knocked Monahan out with a couple of days ago.

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Was Johnson knocked out? Thousands of people have asked me that question. I should say he was. He fell at full length, struck the floor on his side and rolled over flat on his back, his arms still rigidly extended in the guard position. He didn't move even when the count was over, and his seconds dragged him to the corner and propped him up in the chair. I was sitting within ten feet of Johnson's corner. Before the fight, because of the well-known repute, or lack of regute, of some of the me. because of the well-known repute, or lack of repute, of some of the men though there was considerable play connected with arranging it, I strongly suspected that it might be a frame-up, on Thunderclap to beat him way in

So I stood up and watched while he was being brought back to con-sciousness. Willard and his triumphant followers leaped out of the ring immediately after the knockout, and hustled toward the new champion's waiting car. Cuban soldiers crowded the ring and ordered every one else to leave. But it must have been five minutes before Johnson could even stand up. Then he was dazed and stupid. His legs were shaking. Feeling his way along the ropes, he tried to crawl through them, but lurched headlong and would have fallen through and to the ground below if McVey hadn't caught him and pulled him back. He tried again, and McVey held him until he was through and standing on the edge of the platform. Some one threw a bath-robe over his shoulders and he reached down with one foot to go down the wooden steps in his corner. The moment be had all his weight on one shaking, quivering leg, both legs gave way entirely, and if McVey hadn't caught him again and held him up he would have fallen down the steps. Even at the bottom he was hardly able to walk, and his seconds held him on either side while they plunged into the crowd and disappeared.

Dempsey Makes Most of His Days of Rest.

Knocked out? I should say he was knocked out. And big 250-ppund Joss is likely to knock out any man he hits in the way he hit Johnson.

The only thing that makes the coming match keenly interesting is the fact that the gigantic Kansan is going to meet the hardest hitter who has shown in the ring since the days of Bob Fitzsimmons and big Jim Jeffries. There are two men with a punch in this fight. And Dempsey makes up in building aggressiveness and clean hitting power what he lacks in height and

After seeing Willard box his six rounds and go through a little footwork and a few other light exercises I went over to Dempsey's quarters. Friend Jack was in a pair of bathing trunks, lying out on the sandy beach enjoying life. This is the last of his days of rest on the De Forest schedule. At least

The lay-off has done him a world of good. His drawn appearance has gone, and he confided to me that he gained four pounds in weight in the four

#### RACING AT BEAUTIFUL BELMONT PARK MONDAY

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## percut, using the blow much as hason and Willard and Dempsey we used it eince. But that was a punch of Fitzsimmons's, and he inningly pulled his head back and t Corbett's fist shoot up into the r. Freckled Bob didn't play grogsy origination of the "solar plexus punch," always thereafter coupled with the name of Bob Fitzsimmons. Twe said Corbett was a remarkable more. He had the measure of erything Corbett could do, and felt brieft weakening under the hot pace Twe said Corbett was a remarkable boxer, but never a great fighting champion. His record is the proof. After losing to Fitzsimmons he was beaten by Tom Sharkey in nine rounds, by Jeffries in twenty-three, "won" from McCoy in five rounds in an affair that aroused so much suspicion that it practically killed boxing in New York State, and was knocked out by Jeffries again in ten rounds. As for Bob Fitzsimmons, whom I believe to be the greatest fighter of thing the fight. He was grade the fight. He was grade d slowly and deliberately working of the inevitable end. Corbett had one sood quality. He was as game as any lian that ever lived. White faced, desperate, he tried his level best to first the tide of defeat by using all of his clean boxing skill, by sharp atlacks and quick evasions of Bob's habbas. The foorteenth round the end crowded Corbett over to but was invincible to all others. Before winning the heavyweight title he had knocked out Jack Dempasy, hether hether The found on the fore winning the heavyweight title he had knocked out Jack Dempasy, hether the head knocked out Jack Dempasy het The Giants lost their first game of umphed over Cornell in a well played ton, Ragan, Perritt and Winters-had little to puzzle the Pittsburgh

is was by accident or design, but its was good and deliberate enough anything, at any stage of any fut.

Pressed nearly to the ropes, Corollically he lost that Sharkey in 8.

Officially he lost that Sharkey fight but took a forward step and jabbed Fits's grinning face. And then that Fitsminnens told me, two days before, he did use to win the championship— the pit of the doughty sailor's stom-

hett's stomach. Over Fitzsim-perate losing fight from that time is shoulder, I saw Corbett's to the end. There was no limit to the gape open. He doubled slow- Bob Fitzsimmons's gameness.

### EVENING WORLD'S OWN SPORT HISTORY What Happens Every Day

the 1919 Western trip at Pittsburgh, game by a score of 4 to 1. 7 to 1, the Pirates hitting the Giant pitchers and the Giants not being able Rain age to hit the Pirate pitchers, Babe Adams gave them five hits and one run, while the four Giant hurlers—Ben-

singgers.
Herzog celebrated "Gowdy Day" at

Rain again cut into the local tennis noon. If clear weather returns, it is planned to finish the women's metro-pelitan tournament to-day and to-

Hersog celebrated "Gowdy Day" at Chicago by driving out a home run to centre, which gave Boston a 1 to 0 victory over Chicago in the first game of the series.

The Brooklyn Robins got away to a weak start in opening their Western invasion when they lost to the Chicinnati Reds, 7 to 6.

A single by Henthcote, with two out in the ninth, drove across two runs which the St. Louis Cardinals needed to defeat Philadelphia in the opening of the series at St. Louis. The score was 6 to 5.

After three straight victories, Howard Ehmike of Detroit was stopped by Boston, 3 to 1.

Washington won the second game of the series from St. Louis by a score of 7 to 1.

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